### It Lieth Low

There's a grave upon the hillside. Low it lieth, lieth low. In the golden summer sunshine, When the autumn wind doth blow. In the springtime bloom and promise. In the winter's falling snow, There it lieth, lieth low. Ah, my heart it acheth so, When I stand beside its grasses, By the grave that lieth low!

Yet whene'er away I wander From that grave that lieth low, When in fairest lands I loiter, Where the roses deepest glow, And the flowers bloom eternal, And the skies their bluest show, Yet my heart it acheth so For the grave that lieth low. Fain unrest to stray or wander From that grave that lieth low !

E'en though dear ones cluster round me. When far away I go, Comes the longing, oh, the longing For the grave that lieth low! Comes the fear lest death might smite me Brimming o'er the cup of woe. Lest I may not lie below Tangled ivies, myrtles, grasses, By the grave that lieth low! Ah, my heart it acheth so !

Close beside it, ah ! beside it By that grave that lieth low, Let me lie at length in slumber-Slumber that we all shall know. Where he lies, the brave and tender. Autumn winds the leaves d th strow. On that grave that lieth low, Ah, my heart it acheth so !

But, if ever blessed spirit Life of light and joy may sow, Then he knows that joy forever, He whose form lies cold below. With the saints in God's high heaven. Radiant in love's overflow. Oh, my heart will thrill with rapture Once again his love to know, My poor heart that acheth so From that grave that lieth low ! -Anna Elcott Commelin, in Christian

### Parental Intercession.

A deep sense of the sinfulness and the sins of his children is one of the marks of a godly parent. It is to conquer and free from sin that God entered into the parental covenant with Abraham. It was on account of sin, and to deliver from its cause, that the blood of the lamb was sprinkled in the passover. It was to lead from sin to the service of God that parents were constituted the instructors of their children. In all God's dealings with us in redemption and grace, in His revelation in Christ and His cross, He has one object-to save us from sin and make us partakers of His holiness, and if the parent is to be God's fellow-worker, if the authority God delegates to him is to be used aright, and the blessing promised to him is to come true, it can only be if God find the parent in harmony with Himself, hating sin with a perfect hatred, and seeking, above everything, to keep or cast it out of his home.

And have we not all to confess how superficial our views of sin are, and how easily we often are satisfied, while under the appearance of what is good and loving sin may be lurking, or our children may be growing up renouncing God in their hearts? And how sadly wanting we are in that deep sense of the grief and dishonor to God which our children's sin is, and which ought to be the motive that urges us most strongly to plead for its forgive ness and strive for its putting away. Let parents ask God to give them a right sense of what sin is in their children, in its curse, its dishonor to God. its power. And let us ask Him to work in us a very deep and clear conviction that His great object in taking us into covenant as His ministers to the children is that sin may be cast out of them. This is the one thing He aims at, that the power of Christ's victory over sin may be seen in them, that we and they and our home may be holy to the Lord.

Very special watchfulness, where there is special temptation, will be the natural fruit of such fear of sin. Job knew that at a time of feasting there would be special danger, and as often as the days of feasting were past he in their God-fearing father, and how it of whom became sailors on the great God!

there are times and places when the great rebellion broke out, but at the temptations of sin come more speedily commencement of the war he enlisted and more easily surprise even the well- in the United States service and was disposed child. Such are the times, placed on one of those gunboats so both before and after a child goes into often called a cheese box. After the the company and the circumstances close of the war he engaged himself to where he may be tempted, that a pray- a merchant vessel and sailed to the Job did when he sent for his sons and York they were shipwrecked. About sanctified them. A Christian man, midnight the cries of the sailors were only lately converted, has told of the heard above the storm. "The ship indelible impression made by his has sprung a leak." Every possible mother taking him into her room, just effort was made to save the gallant

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to destroying sin, and who holds himself at God's disposal, will be guided from on high as to when and how to Children for Christ."

### Different Standpoints.

Duties and privileges appear differ ently when looked on from different points of view. The duty which seems difficult to one seems easy to another; the privilege, which one appreciates highly, is not greatly prized by another. Men, therefore, are often severe in their criticisms of each other's conduct knowing little of the peculiar difficulties in the way of faithfulness, they are uncharitable in their judgment. They expect more than they would expect if they knew the circumstances of the man with whom they find fault. In the same way they underrate their own privileges, deceiving themselves with the thought that other are more favoured than they. This is a lesson of experience as well as of revelation: "The heart knoweth its own bitterness, and a stranger intermeddleth not with its joys."

Misunderstandings between the pulpit and the pew would be less frequent if these facts were remembered an acted on. The people think their minister has an easy time. In their opinion preaching is a little thing; all he has to do is to open his mouth and the sermon will be delivered. They do not know the long hours which are necessary for proper preparation. They forget that there are times when through fatigue, worry or indisposition, the minister's mind is not at its bes estate; and when he falls short of their standard they speak harshly of his shortcomings. They do not know how many calls there are upon his time He has to visit the sick, to attend funerals, to perform the marriage cere mony, to take part in all missionary religious and reform meetings, and to meet all the varied duties which de mand a pastor's attention. Not re membering this, they are offended in he does not give them the pastoral care which they expect; they demand as much from him as if they were the only members of his congregation.

On the other hand, the minister does not know all the circumstances of his people. They are absent from church, and in his heart he blames them for neglecting the ordinances. If he was acquainted with their excuse it might be his duty to commend them for forsaking the assembling of themselves together. They fall asleep under his preaching, and he is aggrieved at their apparent disrespect for himself and his message. If he understood there. Not in the desert, for it contheir weariness and their struggle to keep awake, he would modify his judgment. They do not give to the cause of Christ as he thinks they ought to give, and he regards them as lacking in the grace of benevolence. If he was informed of their real financial ability and of their contributions in other directions, he might have occasion to praise them for their liberality.

It would be well if the minister and his people would occasionally exchange places in imagination and judge of each other from this new standpoint. also be of use in helping us to bear one another's burdens.

# Shipwrecked.

In a humble cottage at the base of sent for his sons and sanctified them. one of the rugged Vermont hills way What an impression these children down in old New England, lived the must have received of the fear of sin father of a large family of children, four would awaken in them the need of ocean. I wish to tell you a true story watchfulness and the fear of forgetting concerning one of those boys. My brother H., for I myself am one of the Every thoughtful parent knows how family, was a sailor at the time the ng father and mother should do what | West Indies. On their return to New as he was in full glee to start on his vessel but without avail. It was soon tinually, "Victory is sure!"

After Eating

specially sensitive, and a word fitly on which he was standing, and on this around your Jericho. You see no place been thred, and when a word or middle of the next afternoon he re- arrow can be shot. Hope begins to restore its authority. A patient who when he had nearly given up in des- [your ears to the notes that are blown is in sympathy with God's purpose as pair, as he rose to the top of one of for you by the trumpeters of God: those great swells, for the sea was very "Behold I will not fail thee nor forsake rough, he saw sway in the distance the rigging of a ship. He quickly stripped speak, to rouse and strengthen the off his red sailor's jacket and each time child in the consciousness of sin and as he rose to the top of another swell its danger .- Andrew Murray, in "The he waved it over his head. At last the old gray-haired captain saw him and made toward him and as soon as he was near enough asked him if he should throw him a rope or send him a boat. He told him to lay along-side a throw him a rope. At last in this way they dragged him on beard-almost exhausted, and nearly frozen, for it was in March. Saved at the last jubilee while his eyes are fixed on the moment, yet saved by a perfect and walls of Jericho. - William Burnet complete salvation! One moment out | Wright. in the great ocean with only a plank and the long, cold, dark night coming on-the next in a great strong ship by a warm fire and soon clad in dry, comfortable garments-delivered from all danger. To him that ship proved indeed a life-boat.

> that of thousands who float away on and unconcerned until the hour of danger comes. Then all their wicked cal death. In Christ the sinner may find salvation from eternal leath. This Son hath not life." (1 John v. 12) and marts of trade. This salvation consists not in longing, feeling or thinking, but in taking Christ-in laying hold by the rope of faith on the Lord Jesus and taking him as a personal Saviour and complete deliverer from the power and guilt of sin, for "He that believeth on Him is not condemned; but he that believeth not is condemned already." (John iii. 18) Reader, where are you to day-trusting in and clinging to some ship that cannot stand the storm, out in midocean with only a plank between you and destruction, or safe in Jesus delivered from the storm, and ready to throw out the rope to others of the many perishing around you? May God enable you by his spirit, if unsaved, to see your condition before eternal night settles down over your soul; and if yourself delivered, to fully realize the need of those who are still amid the waves, for Jesus sake. - C. M. Smart, Whittaker, Mich.

# Around Jericho.

For seven days the Isra-lites were kept marching around Jericho. They mandments always, that it might be had never seen a walled city. Not in Egypt, for only two of them had been | forever." tained none. Day after day they were to watchfulness, lest the divine law of forced to gaze upon the stupendous the Sabbath be broken. The customs structure. From every point of view and demands of modern society have they were compelled to scrutinize its never seemed so imperative as now strength. Time is needed for objects In little things "offenses" may come. really great in nature or in art to exert | Having yielded at first to that which is their full effect upon the mind. Niagara | questionable, the way has been open grows as we gaze upon it. Conversation was forbidden. It might divert easy to lose an inward sense of guilt attention. In silence the soldiers contemplated the mighty walls. Every is possible to so break God's commandhour forces them to feel more keenly ments that their profound seriousness that their own strength is impotence. utterly ceases to affect us. It is flesh against brick and mortar. Such an exchange would not only lead That every man of them must have The opposition of the carnal heart to to a large exercise of the grace of realized before the seven days had God's commandments can only explain patience towards others, but it would passed. Not only do the besiegers this antagonism. But the danger is learn to appreciate their weakness, but far greater from silent betrayal than they advertise it to their foes. When from open assault. Worldly tendencies first the rumors of an impending in- meet us on every hand. We pause to vasion reached the city it was filled ask: "Is it any harm to do this?" Or with panic. But as the strangers possibly we begin to compromise with marched round and round the walls evil by saying: "It is less harmless to fear of them must have changed into do this than to do that" which the contempt. One can almost hear the weakened conscience of another perjeers from Jericho: "Do these unarmed vagabonds expect to capture us by blowing horns?" For, while the invaders marched in silence, ever and anon their priests blew upon trumpets quick, short, triumphant notes, such as day to invite a lady to attend a reliin later times were used, echoes from gious service. She excused herself this experience at Jericho, to usher in saying, "Yes, I am not very well, but the year of jubilee. These notes I am not particularly sick, and I thought seemed to say to the chosen [ eople : "Take heart, our victory is sure!" The more the army became impressed with its own impotence the more amazing must these tones have appeared. The soldiers' eyes reported, with constantly increasing emphasis, "Victory is impossible!" But their ears, catching the triumphant notes from the trumpets of the Levites, reported con-

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first long journey from home, and pray- seen that she must go to the bottom of | My friends, have you never been | in rememberance of me,' and you have ing with him that he might be kept | the sea. My brother was standing on | subjected to a similar discipline? Have | not been doing it. You have set aside the top of the pilot house when the you never been brought to a wall great the lordship of Christ by your disobedi-Let us ask God to make us very ship went down. Every other person and high with no implement with which ence." watchful and very wise in availing on board perished, but as the ship to pull it down? Have you never been prayer in help to waken it up and mained in that terrible condition. But | pass into despair. But listen! Open

they which are against thee." "When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take meup.' "No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.' Let not your heart be troubled; neither

let it be afraid.' "Fear not, little children." 'Heaven and earth shall pass away,

but My words shall not pass away. It is not when the victory is won that we need these promises. Blessed is the man who listens to the trumpets of

### Our Sabbaths.

"Sunday observation is a matter that each one must settle for himself," said our friend, with an air of indifference. He had frequently boasted of his liberal views upon this subject. Many a time But friend, my brother's experience, he had indulged in words of quiet terrible as it was, is only a fair type of humor, to show the contempt for that which he was pleased to denominate the great ocean of time, thoughtless "the Puritanic strictness of Sabbatarians." This remark of his was made on the Lord's day; and, satchel in hand, deeds, as did his, pass through their he was hastening to the depot, having minds in a moment. Many perish but a business engagement in a distant part some are rescued. That ship on which of the country. Our friend was a mem- suffering, and the most comfortable ber of the church. He was leaving bebrother found deliverance from physi- hind all sacred duties of the family circle; before him were hours of monotonous Sunday travel; conversation is his only hope! "He that hath the foreign to the spirit of the holy day; sing, "I was glad when they said unto Son hath life; and he that hath not the reading that chiefly related to stocks

In all this was he not altogether in harmony with his avowed principles The sabbath, in his view, was destitute of sacred meaning above other days of the week. He was a "liberal" Christian-tolerant of others' opinions, and as to Sabbath observance professing to believe that he was his "brother's keeper." He did not see that Sabbath rest was so necessary, either to individual or public prosperity. He did not hear in the very depths of his soul God's voice saying: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." It had not yet come to him that the Lord's day was a sign of His covenant; that it was the perpetual commemoration of the Lord's resurrection from the grave, and therefore visibly represented all the blessings of man's redemption. As he journeyed on that holy day, " finding his own pleasure," speaking his own words, the tender words of Moses addressed to God's erring people might have been appropriate: "O that there were such a heart in them, that they would fear Me, and keep all My comwell with them, and with their children

Believers are everywhere summoned to commitflagrant transgressions. How "Having once been enlightened," is

The Sabbath is being fiercely assailed.

### Better than Reading the Bible.

Some servants of the Lord called one I would stay at home and read my

"But," said the visitor, "it is certainly good and proper to read the Bible, but there is something better than even reading the Bible."

"What is that?" she inquired somewhat abruptly.

"Doing it, madam," was the reply. "We read the Bible in order to do it. In that Bible the Lord said, 'Do this

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It is of the greatest importance that ourselves of opportunities. There are plunged under the water the force of beset with difficulties which seemed to Christians do the commandments of times when conscience in a child is the air burst off the top of the pilot cab increase as you faced them? You walk the Lord. It is not enough to read, enjoy, to meditate and muse. There spoken will sink deep into the heart. he was left floating on the water. All that can be breached; no open gate; is an obedience of faith which is well There are times when conscience has the rest of that night and until the no crevasse through which even one pleasing in the sight of God. We are taught to be doers of the work, and not forgetful hearers of the word, and if we do thus, we shall be blessed in the deed. Our heavenly Father calls us to obedience, to service; to labor in his cause, and glorify his name; and They that are for thee are more than happy are they who learn the way of obedience, and fulfill the will of God. To them in the great day the Master shall speak His word of welcome and of blessing.

"Oh, that each in the day of his coming may say,

I have fought my way through: have finished the work thou didst give me to do.

"Oh, that each from his Lord may re ceive the glad word Well and faithfully done!

Enter into my joy, and sit on my throne.' -Selected.

Beware of little sins. Only a mote intercepts a ray of sunhine and prevents the perfection of radiant light. Only a little insect in the heart of a rosebud steals its beauty and fragrance. Only a little sin in the heart of a child defeats the law of symmetrical develop-

## Random Readings.

A holy life has a voice; it speaks when the tongue is silent, and is either a constant attraction or a perpetual reproof. - Hinton.

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